Improvement Trust Board, Bangalore and were allotted to displaced persons having verified claims. Besides, three families were allotted houses in Kumara Park West Extension built under the local housing schemes and two of them were granted a loan of Rs. 5,000 each in order to enable them to purchase the house.

Recoveries.

1265. A total sum of Rs. 67,375 (Principal) and a sum of Rs. 2,148 towards interest was recovered from the displaced persons from the beginning to end of the Financial year. Recovery of loans from displaced persons was continued.

Financial Assistance to displaced students.

1266. A sum of Rs. 15,000 was allotted by the Government of India for grant of Financial Assistance to Displaced students and 367 students were given the assistance amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 14,998.

1267. Five hundred and sixty compensation applications were received from the displaced persons in general during the year and they were forwarded to the Regional Settlement Commissioner, Bombay and the Chief Settlement Commissioner, New Delhi, after necessary investigation as to the dues outstanding to the State Government from the claimants.

(xi) Regional Employment Exchange.

1268. The Regional Employment Exchange, Bangalore, registered as usual all categories of employment seekers during the year and placed suitable candidates against reported vacancies.

1269. The weekly registration work at the Labour Welfare Centre, Cottonpet, Bangalore City, continued to work on all working Saturdays.

1270. Statistics relating to Registrations, Vacancies notified and the placements effected were as follows:—

Year	Registrations	Vacancies notified	No. o candidates placed	No. of candidates on the Live Register at the end of the year
1953-54	16,272	1,251	906	7,127
1954-55	15,020	1,252	710	7,659

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1271. A majority of the unemployed people on the Live Register at the end of the year belonged to the clerical and unskilled categories for whom employment opportunities were very few and far between.

1272. A good number of the Mysore State Government Departments made use of the Employment Exchange in filling up some of their vacancies excluded from the purview of the State Public Service Commission. Two hundred and fifteen State Government Vacancies were notified to the Exchange and 130 candidates were placed in employment.

District Employment Exchange, Mysore.

1273. District Employment Exchange, Mysore, continued to serve the three Revenue Districts of Hassan, Mandya and Mysore, with Mysore as Headquarters.

1274. Statistics relating to the working of the Mysore Office were :—

Year	Registrations	Vacancies notified	Placements	No. of candidates on the Live Register at the end of the year
1953-54	6,558	281	164	2,286
1954-55	4,691	259	160	1,963

Trend of Employment.

1275. There was considerable demand for Engineering Graduates and Diploma Holders and highly qualified personnel with technical skill.

(xii) Statistics.

1276. As the Department of Statistics was bifurcated from that of the Economic Development and Planning in February 1954, the Director of Agriculture was appointed as *Ex-Officio* Director of Statistics.

1277. A Pilot Random Sample Survey on Employment and Unemployment and Housing Conditions was conducted in October and November 1954 in Basavanagudi East, Bangalore.